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The changes proposed to these forms requiring birth sex to be identified are unconstitutional and a risk to the safety of many Americans. E.O. 14168 does not hold any legal bearing on passport identification, and thus birth sex should not replace gender on these forms. For individuals who have transitioned, this change could cause confusion and unnecessary burden on agencies managing travel, as well as pose a risk to the health and safety of trans individuals by outing them in the midst of international travel. Individuals may be unnecessarily detained because their appearance does not match the inaccurate sex they are forced to indicate on a form with the proposed changes.

The change to biological sex also removes any acknowledgement of the existence of intersex people, who do not fit the misinformed markers outlined as acceptable by the current presidential regime. If not for the sake of the mental health and safety of individuals with differing genders, for the sake of verifiable existence of persons who are neither male nor female, or possess characteristics of both, the state department should not fall prey to the childish whims of an uneducated bigot. Leave the forms as they are, save the egregious amount of paper it would take to change these forms, and prove to your fellow Americans that you understand basic human biology.